



Poultry Programs

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FROZEN COOKED DICED CHICKEN, INVITATION NO. 15, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-285

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell frozen cooked diced chicken meat produced from fowl as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, Tuesday, Jan. 17 (due to the holiday on Tuesday for federal employees). Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, Jan. 21. Deliveries are to be made from March 1 to March 15, 2005.

Offers will be invited from approved suppliers for frozen cooked diced chicken meat, produced from ready-to-cook fowl (a class of mature female chickens), packed in four 10-pound (4.54 kg) packages to a net weight of 40 pounds (18.14 kg) in each shipping container. A purchase unit will consist of 1,000 shipping containers totaling 40,000 pounds (18,144 kg).

All offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?>. Offers submitted by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. **Note that some item numbers and the associated quantities have been set-aside for small business concerns and are indicated by a single asterisk.** Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-285, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Frozen Cooked Diced Chicken dated June 2004, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-7693. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement PY-285, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by mechanically refrigerated trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY285
INVITATION : 015
COMM GROUP : 22 CHICKEN, FROZEN
COMM TYPE : 21 CHICKEN, DICED, FROZEN
PACK SIZE : 40 40 LB CTN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 03/01/05 - 03/15/05

001	LINCOLN	RI	TRUCK ONLY	40,000*
002	LAKELAND	FL	TRUCK ONLY	30,000
	MOBILE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	10,000
003	MOBILE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	10,000
	WINTER HAVEN	FL	TRUCK ONLY	30,000
004	MIAMI PLANTATIO	FL		40,000
005	RIVIERA BEACH	FL	TRUCK ONLY	40,000
006	MEMPHIS	TN	TRUCK ONLY	40,000*
007	GRANITE CITY	IL		80,000*
008	ALBUQUERQUE	NM		40,000*
009	PUYALLUP	WA	TRUCK ONLY	16,000
	SPOKANE	WA	TRUCK ONLY	24,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 400,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 400,000

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